GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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FLIGHT FREQUENCY IN NORTH EAST INDIA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government proposes to increase the number of flights from Delhi to the capitals of the North-Eastern States;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) Whether the Government would consider to increase at least one more direct flight per week between Delhi and Imphal?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b) and (c): Government has laid down route dispersal guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services in different regions of the country including North East Region. Airlines are free to provide air services to any place depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability and subject to compliance of route dispersal guidelines. Due to shortage of aircraft, crew and engineers, Indian Airlines has no plan to increase direct flight between Delhi and Imphal at present.